

WATCHMAN DRUNK, SHOT AND KILLED THE ENGINEER

Victim Had Restored Place
to Murderer More
Than Once.

Thomas Noonan, a watchman, shot and killed his benefactor, Philip McNally, engineer of the condensate factory of George M. Hayner, at No. 46 West Fifty-seventh street, early to-day. McNally was an estimable man; a widower and father of seven children with whom he lived at No. 46 West Fifty-seventh street. Noonan was addicted to drink. Time and again Noonan neglected his duty and Mr. Hayner discharged him several times, but McNally interested and promised to keep Noonan straight, and the watchman was reinstated. In a fatter way McNally would lecture him and point焉焉 of what rum had done for others.

To all this advice the watchman listened sullenly, and even after he had been reinstated several times at the instance of McNally who would resort to his lectures with a volley of abuse, Friends warned McNally to let the man go his way; that instead of being a protection to the factory he was a worthless hanger-on who would some day break out in a drunken rage and do harm.

Noonan appeared at midnight in the furnace room, where McNally was busy with his engines. Rapping on a pipe with his club he cried out to the engineer: "Get any more of your — tempestuous rot; you old croaker!"

Noonan went away muttering, disappearing in the shadows, where the dull red light of a gaslight gleamed. It was after 2 o'clock when he returned to the factory and staggered in between the rows of throbbing engines. McNally was perched on a little bridge between two great dynamos, cutting them and peting them with bunches of cotton waste.

With the musical roar of the machinery in his ears, he did not hear the sneaking shunt of the watchman. The two men were alone in the dynamo room, though in an adjoining chamber there were three of McNally's assistants. McNally drew his revolver. McNally was to save himself by leaping down the short stairway of the little bridge, but the watchman sprang after him and fired two shots.

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Melba, in "Rigoletto," Fills Manhattan Opera-House Again

ANOTHER repetition of "Rigoletto," with Melba as Gilda, drew a large audience to the Manhattan Opera-House last night. The prima donna was lavish of her vocal resources, as she has been all this season, but she was a bit capricious in acknowledging the applause which followed all her efforts.

Bonci was the Duke, and his voice seemed a bit clouded at first. His art stood him in good stead, however, and his "Donna e Mobile" won its usual triumph.

Ancona's Rigoletto, always well sung, showed more intensity on the dramatic side. Armond was a sonorous, cut-throat Sparafucile.

The war between the two opera-houses waxes hot this week. Tomorrow night at the Metropolitan Mr. Conried will put on his "Rigoletto," with Sembrich and Caruso, while Mr. Hammerstein gives Verdi's "Masked Ball," a first performance at his house. On Friday the older impresario will fall back upon the neglected (for this season) "Die Walkure" to off-

er.

Mr. Conried announces a complete evening cycle of the "Ring" at the Metropolitan Opera-House at the end of the season. The dates are: "Das Rheingold," Tuesday, March 6; "Die Walkure," Thursday, March 21; "Siegfried," Monday, March 25, and March 27. Parsifal is also to get an evening cycle. Prices, regular.

March 25, beginning at 5 o'clock. Regular prices will prevail at these performances.

SYLVESTER RAWLING.

performance of "Die Walkure." His place to be on Saturday.

Caruso's last night at the Metropolitan Opera Club a farewell supper to Signor and Signora Puccini, who sail for Italy to-morrow. Caruso was Caruso's birthday, and most of the performers attended the feast. Mr. Conried sent a loving-cup to Puccini.

TWO SINGERS, ILL., SAIL FOR EUROPE

Caruso Entertains Puccini and Many of Conried's Force at Birthday Feast.

Bonisegna, the dramatic soprano, returns to Europe to-day on the Kronprinz. She has been sick and unhappy and she wanted to go sooner. It was expected that she would take an active part in the road tour of the Metropolitan company.

Rossi, the buffo, sails on the same boat. He had ten days ago a severe attack of heart trouble on the Metropolitan stage during a performance of "Don Pasquale." Rossi seems to have been in want, for many of the singers have subscribed in all about \$1,000, which will be presented to Rossi on sailing.

Antonio Roxy, the Dutch baritone of the Metropolitan company, came to New York yesterday and will appear at the Oliver House this evening. He was to appear to-day in a Philadelphia house.

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